The Pacific

th Year | MAY, 1925 | No. 5

Tolson, T T
Dec. 1923 Shasta St

GREAT NEED—A GOOD PLAN

The remarkable growth of cities in orthern California is putting a heavy rain upon our churches in the way new buildings and the reconstruc- n of the old. The demand upon r National Church Building Society heavier than they can handle. The urches can hardly wait the fifteen eighteen months necessary to get tion from that source. To meet this rain the Bay Association recently ted to adopt a Fellowship Building an to assist churches in meeting the st bills in a given enterprise.

The plan is very simple. We are king our members around the Bay enroll as members promising to y ..... dollars toward each new urch built in this section costing n thousand dollars and upwards. It understood that not over two calls ill be made each year for a three ar period. Two calls this first year. he first call will probably be for the w enterprise at Boulevard the sec- nd for the needed new building at roadmoor.

We invite subscriptions of $5.00 per all and up, principally up. We will eed several members who will give t least $50.00 per call for this most orthy cause. The subscription list now open and we will have the membership cards ready within a eek. Each call ought to bring us in om $2500.00 to $3000.00 to make it ally effective. It may take a little me to build up this idea of making uch a special subscription. It has one reat advantage. You can see where our money is being spent. You can e assured that every dollar of it ill go into that particular enterprise. Before enrolling for a minimum mount will you talk the matter over with the Superintendent as to the nerits of a maximum contribution.

HELP US HELP HIM

Beginning May first we are putting nto the field Mr. Irvin O. Addicott o awaken interest in the coming Young People's Conference to be held imultaneously with our annual Con- erence July 27—August 3. He has ust received his Bachelor of Divin- ty degree and has sufficient acquaint- ance with our churches to warrant his getting splendid support on the part of pastors and superintendents in selecting a group from each church for this important assembly.

Mr. Addicott will attend several of the Association meetings but is more anxious to get to the local church, meet some key young people and help them make it possible to attend the first of our summer conferences for young people. He can be addressed at our headquarters and will welcome information concerning any prospects for enrollment. Elsewere you will find a letter from him which will outline his wishes in the matter.

Patronize

Hotel Ramona

Ellis Street San Francisco

Headquarters

American Board Missionaries

Clean, Dainty, Artistic, Reasonable

FOR MOTHER'S DAY

The following hymn was written by Rev. George E. Atkinson, pastor of Ceres Church. Last year churches in twenty-six states made it part of their services on Mothers' Day. This year the Lion's Club of Modesto is planning to give a copy to the sick in the hospitals and two San Francisco Hotels plan to give copies to their guests May 10.

MOTHER'S DAY HYMN

Faith of our Mothers, living still
In all things beautiful and bright;
Yea, nobly will we do God's will
And live our lives as in His sight.
Faith of our Mothers, Living Faith
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our Mothers, living still
In strong sons' lives and words of praise
We humbly own our debt to thee,
And love thee as in former days.
Faith of our Mothers, conquering Faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our Mothers, living still
In deeds of love and service strong,
We gladly pledge our strength to thee
To sooth the sorrow, right the wrong.
Faith of our Mothers, saving Faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our Mothers, living still
In words and truths that ne'er can die,
Thy sons and daughters ever dear
Shall claim the faith that brings God nigh.
Faith of our Mothers, holy Faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

Copyright, Geo. E. Atkinson.

MR. PRINCE ARRIVES

Just as this paper reaches you our Director of Religious Educaton is arriving in San Francisco. He will get a royal welcome. He comes by appointment of the Congregational Education Society but will work in cooperation with our comittee on Religious Education and Young People's Work. He is not only well trained for the task but has behind him several years of practical experience in this type of work. At present he will stay but a few weeks, long enough to help set up our Summer Conference. He will then return to Kansas for his family and we hope that he will be permanently with us at our annual meeting at Asilomar.

RENEW—SUBSCRIBE

The bulk of our subscriptions are expiring with this issue or about to expire very soon. Ask your pastor for the little envelopes for subscriptions, then enclose for one, two or four years at twenty-five cents a year. One good lady recently sent us her check for $5 to pay her subscription and likewise register her appreciation.

We need just twice the present number of subscribers to make the publication go smoothly. We pay nothing for editorial, clerical or administrative purposes. Our correspondents do their association work at their own charges. Double the subscription and we will not be obliged to ask them to make this contribution.

LEST WE FORGET!

July 27 to August 3 is the date of the Northern California Annual Conference to be held at Asilomar. Everybody plan to be there at least for part of the period. The program is being worked up into one of the best yet. Once more we are running the schedule of rates, as they will help you to make your plans more definite.

Board and Lodging

Buildings	Six day Conf. Period	Per day Less than Period
Tenthouses		
Two in a room, each	12.00	2.25
One in a room	15.00	2.75
Enclosed Houses 6 & 7		
Two in a room, each	13.50	2.50
One in a room	16.50	3.00
Guest Inn		
Two in a room, each	15.00	2.75
One in a room	18.00	3.25
Guest Lodge		
Two in a room, each	18.00	3.50
One in a room	22.50	4.00

AFFAIR OF "SWEETNESS AND ENLIGHTENMENT"

So severely a critical soul as that of Matthew Arnold himself would have been delighted with this year's picnic of the Ministers Monday Club, held May 4th. The day was gloriously fine, the ministers' wives were present, and the place was the plant of the California Hawaii Sugar Company's plant at Crockett. From begining to end the affair was an event of sweetnes and light.

Minds already saturated with "problems" took rest as they witnessed the intricate procedure and the working of marvelous machinery conspiring to transform a "cane" into a "cube". Whether the study of the Old and New Testament enables a man intelligently to follow the method of extracting whitened sweetness from the most unpromising material we do not know. But on the face of some of some of the men and all of the women were the rays of what a casual observer might deem to be intelligence.

The two hours inside of the sugar mill, in the care of the courteous and kindly guides of the company was followed by a "conducted tour" of the company's welfare buildings and gardens. We all thanked God and took courage to beleive that the days of the "worker" as a "hireling" are so nearly over and the day of his significance as a "partner" so close at hand.

As one toured the garden it was not difficult to hear the oft repeated and most popular question "When do we eat?" and eventually we did, seated at beautifully laid tables, served by attractive waitresses, with a most elaborate dinner. If what Bishop McConnell once said about the success of Methodism in the South being due to circuit riders and yellow legged chickens is true, we may hope that after the visit to Crockett some of our dying churches will rise into newness of life. If they do not then about a hundred Crockett chickens most certainly died in vain.

Of course, no picnic, however happy is quite altogether happy. Some little boy always tears his breeches. And so it was with us. The banquet ended in keen disappointment for the ministers. Disappointment that was well nigh tragic. Not one of them was allowed the privilege of "making a few remarks." One irrepressible member however, whose voice relates him to the Sons of Thunder did eventually break the rules and manage to quick-fire three sentences of thanks to the management for what proved to have been a most wonderfully enjoyable time.

Perhaps if the Monday Club can be conducted on the lines of the picnic, the officers will not need to worry any more about it. Meetings in the open air on fine days. The company of the women folk being present. The serving of a real dinner. And no speeches. Perhaps, perhaps, who knows? This may be the way to increase interest.

Obliviscor

CONVENTION ENTHUSIASM

C. E. evidently stands for "Convention Enthusiasm" among many other good ideals, for it is a very significant fact that nearly one thousand Californians have paid their two dollar registration fee for the International Christian Endeavor Convention (Portland, Oregon, July 4 to 10) in spite of the fact that great preparations are being made for a record-breaking state convention in beautiful Balboa Park in San Diego June 24 to 28.

THE PACIFIC SCHOOL OF RELIGION COMMENCEMENT

It was a high day at the Seminary, as some persist in calling it. On Wednesday night, April 29, the Trustees met for their annual session, to learn that they were to close a most successful year without a deficit and with a slight balance in the treasury They also learned that something over $100,000 had been subscribed toward the Building Fund in addition to the Holbrook gift.

On Thursday the Fifty-ninth annual commencement exercises were held preceded by the services of the Laying of the Corner Stone of the Holbrook Library. These exercises were very impressive and were participated in by President Swartz, who laid the stone, Professor Tolson, citing the contents of the box, Dr. Nash, making the prayer, George L. Maxwell conducting the responsive service with an address given by Dr. L. L. Wirt. The benediction was offered by Dr. Pond.

The evening program was featured with an address by Bishop Charles Wesely Burns and the conferring of degrees by President Swartz. Five were given the degree of Master of Arts; eight the degree of Bachelor of Divinity, and the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity was given to Dr. Loyal L. Wirt, Rev. Thomas T. Giffen, and professor George T. Tolson.

The Alumni Dinner was remarkably well attended and with Harley Gill as Toastmaster the fifteen speakers made merry over the serious tasks that confront the modern minister. This dinner was in the Parish House of First Berkeley and the Commencement program was held in the new edifice of the Epworth University Methodist Episcopal Church South. A large number tarried for the President's reception which closed a day and an occasion that will be historic.

LETTER TO YOUNG PEOPLE

To the Young People of our Conference:

Vacation time! How are you going to spend yours? As you plan your summer, remember Asilomar and the Congregational Young People's Conference, July 27 to August 3.

Think of it! A whole week beside the blue of the thundering Pacific, and under the murmuring pines of Asilomar. Who could ask a more delightful outing? And combined with the glory of God's out of doors, will be fellowship in study and recreation with hundreds of other Congregational young people from all parts of Northern California. You cannot afford to miss this Conference! Do not wait for me to visit your churches, but start organizing your delegation, today.

As I do get an opportunity to visit our churches I should like, (1) to meet and talk to those young people who are interested or who should plan to go to Asilomar, (2) to meet with young people's groups in the churches, and (3) an opportunity to impress upon our churches as a whole, the value of this Young People's Conference, and the necessity of cooperation on the part of all agencies in the churches in securing its success.

In this I shall need the help of Pastors and officers of Young People's Societies.

Pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, and Presidents of Young Peoples' Societies will soon be supplied with details regarding the Conference. Go to them for information. But in the meantime, if there is any help or information that I can give to Pastors or Young People's Officers, be sure to write me at 421 Phelan Building, San Francisco.

Let's all pull together for Asilomar July 27 to August 3.

Sincerely,
IRWIN OLIVER ADDICOTT.

THE PLACE OF THE ASILOMAR MISSIONARY CONFERENCE IN MISSIONARY EDUCATION

The annual Conference of the Missionary Education Movement does not in any way conflict or interfere with the young people's conferences or other meetings held by the various denominations. If it did, there would be no place for it and it should not exist. On the contrary, it supplies a need which no other gathering furnishes and if rightly made use of, will contribute greatly to the success of the denominational meetings and Missionary education in general.

The function of the Asilomar Conference is not to gather people en mass for either inspirational or educational purposes, but to prepare selected leaders to conduct mission study classes or missionary campaigns in their own denominational conference or local churches. And just in proportion as it does this one thing it finds its place in the scheme of religious education. In a word, it is a Normal Training Institute held, not for the purpose of giving a general normal training course, but to furnish special preparation of leaders in new Mission Study Courses of each year.

It must be considered as complimentary to other church conferences and meetings and not in opposition. Let it be made of in this way and it will contribute much to the advancement of missionary education in the future as it has in the past.

EASTER ACCESSIONS

It has been impossible to obtain a complete list of Easter accessions, but the following is a list of the ones which have come to the attention of the editor. We should like this list to be made as complete as possible: Sonoma, 7; Santa Cruz, 27, 19 on confession; San Francisco Mission Park, 10, 5 on confession; Ceres, 5, 4 on confession; Reno, Nevada, 13; Weaverville, 10, all on confession; Hayfork, 1 on confession; Cloverdale, 2; Redwood City, 57; San Rafael, 4, by letter; Fresno, First. 36, 13 on confession; Sebastopol, 8, 6 on confession.

EXTRACT OF SERMON

The following is an excerpt taken from a sermon recently given by Rev. C. L. Kloss, D. D., pastor at San Mateo:

THE ESSENTIAL

Mr. Edison knows more about electricity than any man living, yet so far he has not attempted a definition of it. He has learned, he says, but a fraction of what this mighty force is and can do.

Not all scientists have the same modesty. Here for example is Dr. D. T. MacDougal of the Carnegie Institute who does not hesitate to tell us what life is:

"Life in the last analysis consists of a series of correlated transformations of energy or chains of metabolism which takes place in the liquid occupying the spaces of colloidal meshwork . . . The meshwork is in a perpetual state of alteration by hydration and dehydration."

This should prove exceedingly helpful in planting our gardens this spring.

The sin of the meticulous, worshipper of the letter, the modern pharisee, is not only that he defines Jesus in such an arbitrary and omniscent fashion, but he insists that you sign on the dotted line, accept his interpretation as the ultimate or be ruled out of the synagogue.

Putting Jesus into a statement is like laying him away in a tomb, rolling up huge verbal stones at the entrance and sealing them with your own privy seal.

He has burst forth out of everything that would make a sepulchre of life. No fine mausoleum, creed, ritual, organization is big enough nor adequate. The essential thing for the proudest scholar and the humblest toiler; the modernist and fundamentalist alike is to FOLLOW HIM.

"If Jesus Christ is a man,
And only a man—I say
That of all mankind I will cleave to him
And to him will cleave alway.

If Jesus Christ is a God
And the only God—I swear
I will follow him through heaven and hell
The earth, the sea, and the air."

FROM A CHURCH CALENDAR

Overheard during the period of "Silent Prayer and Meditation" " . . . A terrible burn on my thumb . . . What's the name of that tall plant on the right? . . . And put it in the fireless cooker—She said it ought to stand washing—And a tire went bing right on the top of the hill . . ." (This was sent in after a recent Sunday morning service by one of our worshipers who had set near the back of the church.)

AN INTERRACIAL INTERPRETATION OF A FAMILIAR CHAPTER

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels in advocacy of fair treatment for other races and to secure the giving of money for relief and education and the spread of the gospel throughout the world, but do not have a humble sincere feeling of brotherhood toward men of a different color or culture my attitude is likely to become one of patronage and condescension and to give the impression of sounding brass and a clanging cymbal.

And though I preach convincingly of the coming federation of all nations and understand all racial differences and all the economic and social problems involved in international and interracial relations, and though I have all faith so that I could remove mountains of prejudice through the inspiration of my appeals, but cannot win the full and unreserved personal confidence of men of other races through the spirit of friendliness, I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed Near East orphans and Japanese earthquake sufferers, and though I suffer social ostracism in missionary service for Negroes, and have not a spirit of respect and appreciation for men of other races it profiteth me nothing—nor them either, beyond a temporary alleviation of physical needs.

And now abideth faith in the unity of mankind and the possibilities of every race, hope for the ultimate triumph of peace and good will throughout the earth, real friendliness for all men without regard to race, color or previous condition; these three, but the greatest of these is that unfailing, honest, humble friendliness which is the strongest force in race relations as it is everywhere else.—G. W. Hinman.

THE CHRISTIAN'S RULE OF RACE PROBLEMS

I. KNOW
1. Economic independence with other races.
2. Social Solidarity of the whole human family.
3. Value of Racial diversity.

II. CHOOSE
1. Appreciation of other races.
2. Trusteeship of superior opportunities.
3. Interracial cooperation.

III. BELIEVE
1. Equality of rights for all races.
2. Unity of all races in spiritual experiences.
3. One way of salvation for all races.

DEATH OF DR. MOOAR

Dr. Gee Pond Mooar of Tiensin, China, passed beyond on February 22. As Pond Mooar he was known to us and held in high esteem by friends of this Church and C. E. Society a score of years ago. He was the eldest son of Rev. Gee Gam, our one ordained Chinese Congregational Minister. Two brothers and one sister, also once well known to us here are now filling positions of honor and trust in China. Dr. Gee was a graduate of the University of California and also of Harvard Medical School. He was a practicing physician in Tiensin at the time of his death, and his funeral was largely attended by officials of that city, by representatives of prominent organizations, and of various Churches there. He is survived by his widow and five daughters.

NOTES AND HAPPENINGS

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Leiter of Calvary church, Oakland, gave a dinner to about three score friends on Tuesday, April 28th. It was a celebration of the forty-fifth anniversary of these good Congregationalists. This Conference cannot forget the splendid work done by this valiant layman and we extend our congratulations to this family.

Word comes to the office that there is marked improvement in the condition of Rev. Arthur Bunce, who has been so critically ill. The Rio Vistar church has shown a magnificent spirit in its concern for Mr. Bunce and we trust that they will be rewarded by his early and permanent recovery. Our ministers are to be praised for their voluntary services in supplying the pulpit during these trying months.

Our good friend and former editor, Rev. E. C. Oakley, returns with Mrs. Oakley to make their permanent home in Palo Alto. We welcome them home and wish them many happy years here with us. Mr. Oakley is ready to supply churches and he can be addressed at 1121 Bryant St., Palo Alto, Calif.

Boulevard Church has purchased new lots on the corner of Walnut and Mason. On the sale of their old site they will move the present church to these lots and make it the first unit of a new plant better fitted to serve the needs of a high grade suburb. This is generally regarded as one of the very best openings for church work on the East Bay.

CAR NEEDED

Trinity County parish needs a car. It is a mountainous country and the car will need a special axle. The cost will be about $600.00 delivered. We have one promise of $400.00. As soon as we get the full amount required we will make Mr. Riley happy. Send contributions to the Superintendent.

A PULPIT BIBLE

A friend has sent in a well-bound family bible with large print and suitable for the pulpit of some small church. It may be had on application at this office.

A COAT AND VEST

We have in the office an excellent frock coat and vest, size 38, that can be had by the man it fits. The donor is desirous that it help some missionary pastor.

RUGS NEEDED

In one of our office rooms we have no rugs. In the other room our rug is so badly worn that we will soon discard it. There may be friends who have rugs not in use that will be suitable for office wear. We will appreciate the gift of such.

PACIFIC SCHOOL OF RELIGION
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA
Sixtieth Year Opens August 17, 1925
Practical Instruction
Graduate Degrees
Faculty of Ten
Opportunities for Self Support
Modern and Commodious Buildings
Under Construction
COME TO CALIFORNIA TO STUDY
HERMAN F. SWARTZ, President

ERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE ELD SECRETARY OF THE TURKEY MISSION OF THE AMERICAN BOARD

Boston, March 10th, 1925.

r Friend:

he great Washington Convention, uary 28 to February 2, was the sion of an unexpected brief visit my part to the homeland. I left stantinople January 3 and expect e back there again March 28.

have borne to friends in America personal greetings of many of my ciates in Turkey, Greece and Sybut there are others whom I have had the opportunity of meeting.

efore I sail eastward next Saturday I want to send this personal word the wide circle of those who have nds in the Near East or who are porting by their prayers and gifts work of the American Board of man's Boards in those parts.

Ve face a new, a pioneer situation Turkey.

Events have moved with startling idity the last two years.

The overthrow of the House of Oth-n, the establishment of the Republ of Turkey, the deportation of the liph of the Moslem world, the separ ion of church and state, the rise political parties, the achievement national sovereignty and the diplotic triumph at Lausanne, the secarization of all schools, public and ivate, Moslem and Christian, the reganization and extension of the sysm of public education, the rapid ogress of many social reforms espeally as related to womanhood, the owing power of public opinion as pressed through the press, the aparance of critical Turkish literature aling with the sources of Islam, the renuous efforts of educated Turks to shion their national life according Western secular models,—these arases indicate without adequately scribing some of the changes which e taking place in Turkey.

Missionary statesmanship requires ar acceptance of the facts registerl by the triumph of the Turkish repsentatives at Lausanne. The minories in Turkey have practically dispeared. Continued missionary occupation of Moslem Turkey does not arry with it a sanction of all that has appened any more than the continued xistence and activity of churches in merica stamps our industrial injuices with approval. The challenge hat comes to us is to make our witess to Christ's way of life more effective under changing conditions.

Your representatives in Turkey are ow in contact with Turkish people nd life as never before in the history f our work in the Near East. There re, for instance, more Turkish stulents in a certain small group of our chools than there were students of ll races in the eight American Board colleges in Turkey in 1914. Another nstance, the work of our International Hospital under Dr. Haas at Adana goes forward with increasing success n a purely Turkish environment. Still another illustration, the call for social work and trades' school work is pressing in upon us from a number of points in Asia Minor. We are compelled to work under restrictions compared with conditions in capitulation days, but Americans and American activities are not suffering from official discrimination and we above every other democratic nation ought to be eager to respect impartial law. We can do our work and achieve our purpose if we prove faithful to our calling and allow our lives to be completely dominated by the boundless love of Christ.

The spear point of the challenge of Modern Turkey is a call for a re-interpretation of the meaning of genuine religious life and experience. The leaders of the new Turkey reject the idea that religion is a constructive force in modern society. The acid test of our work in Turkey and in the Near East generally will be the test of daily experience. Can we show by our lives that our idea of religion as the only adequate basis for practical idealism is sound? Can we show that naked patriotism and nationalism are not enough? Can we point the way sympathetically, unmistakably and practically to that "better part" which is adequate?

We are not forgetting the refugees in Syria and in Greece. They still claim our active co-operation. Fortunately they are rapidly getting on to their feet economically and are bearing an increasing burden of school and church support.

My brief visit in America after six years' absence impresses me with our unfathomable material and spiritual resources. How can we release them more fully for constructive social enterprise the world over? I am also impressed with the similarity of the problems facing Christian men and women in all lands today. How can we enlist more widely the effective co-operation of Christ-minded men and women of all races?

I return to the Near East deeply grateful for this visit with home friends and more desirous than ever before to make my life count in our common task of uplifting Christ.

Yours sincerely,
FRED FIELD GOODSELL.

BIG CREEK REPORT FOR APRIL

We often think of the beehive as the finest example of community spirit and activity. The Big Creek Church is fast becoming a true community factor and everyone seems "to have a mind to work." If it is true that "religion is a thing of life" the church is being made truly religious for it is beginning to function in every avenue of the camp life. On April 6th, the pastor was invited to join with the Scottish Rite Masons in a trip to Fresno for their semi-annual ceremonial. The business and professional men of Big Creek recently organized and made the pastor an honorary member. In the resolutions adopted the following appears: "ABOVE ALL THINGS the Big Creek Business Men's Club voted to give full support to the Forest Ranger, Judge Siders and Dr. Stark, the local preacher." The capitalized words are those of the Club. The pastor was selected as publicity chairman of the organization. A mass meeting of the camp was held one evening during "Fire Prevention Week" and the pastor was asked to give the oration of the evening. A Boy Scout Council was recently organized and the pastor was asked to be one of the members and at the public initiation ceremony of the Scouts he was invited to be one of the three speakers. Two very lovely surprises came to him during the month. The two leading clubs in the camp are the Masonic Club, a branch of the Sciots, and the Loyal Order of Moose. The pastor was taken into both complimentary and given a paid membership card in both for 1925.

Although the church is a community one and as yet unorganized, it received an invitation from the Fresno Congregational Church to be represented at the Woman's Missionary Meeting for the district. The ladies enthusiastically accepted the invitation and three were in attendance at the sessions. They all reported a wonderful time and were high in their praise of the welcome accorded them.

The church has added quite materially to its physical equipment. A new organ has been secured for the primary department of the Church School. Thirty new hymn books have been added to those which the Church School already possessed. And over fifty copies of the "Hymns of the United Church" have been purchased for the Church proper.

We have made one step in missionary service. The Church School voted to donate five dollars a month for the rest of the year to the Children's Home at Marshalltown, Iowa.

We have had some rather remarkable services during the month, we think. On Good Friday night we had 63 present for a very impressive service. Easter was a day long to be remembered. Every one in the camp talks of it as the greatest exhibition of community spirit ever witnessed. In the morning 225 were present and in the evening nearly 300. But I will let "Murphy's Art Shop News" tell the story in its own words: "Easter Services in the Moose Hall were well attended. In fact it was one of the largest gatherings, if not the largest, ever assembled in Big Creek since the village started. Ask Mr. Pesterfield, he knows for he has been here since the first four people, so they say. The entire program was of the best, from start to finish. The piano was in tune, the birds (from Murphy's Art Shop) were singing most of the time, the Ladies' Aid Quartette was very good, likewise the Men's Quartette, Mr. Campbell played a piano selection, beautifully, and there is another thing to be thankful for—Mr. Campbell knows how to play hymns—and with the pastor's sermon exceptionally good and the Masons and Moose there enmasse to listen, together with most everyone else in Big Creek—and with the collection so good that one plate was spilled on the floor owing to its weight—what more could anyone want. Hooray! for Dr. Stark and the Community Church!" The Church School attendance Easter Sunday was the highest in the history of the school—147.

The Loyal Order of Moose held its annual Memorial Service Sunday night April 26th, and the pastor was invited to give the Memorial Day Oration. The regulation Memorial Service was used and it is one of the most beautiful ever written, made even more beautiful by the addition of elaborate music. Big Creek is fortunate indeed in possessing an unusual amount of fine musical talent and musical appreciation—220 people were present.

In this connection it may be interesting to know that in the recent New Mexico State Music Contest, of public and high school students, Billy Yersin of Gallup took first place among 250 piano contestants. We mention this because Mrs. Stark trained Billy for the contest.

The Weekly Bible Study Class is proving very interesting. Several times the High School auditorium has been nearly filled. The pastor has given the modern historical viewpoint and for most of those attending it has been a new conception.

During the month the pastor has given 8 sermons; attended 4 Church School Sessions; given 8 addresses and 4 Bible Lectures. The lowest Service attendance was 28, due to a terribly stormy night, and the highest was 300, with an average of 122. The receipts amount to $138.50. Both attendance and receipts are perhaps somewhat inflated because of the special services. The pastor is rather disappointed in his calling record—47—but he has had to spend so much time with special addresses, etc. that he has had little time for calling. Average Church School attendance for the month, 118; committee meetings, 4; infant baptisms, 2. As the camp is almost cut off from the outside world during the winter months the people insist on getting out on Sundays during the summer, so the next few reports until fall may not be so good.—L. A. Stark.

APPORTIONMENT RECEIPTS

	1924	1925
January 10-31	$ 425.75	$ 682.00
February 1-28	2,568.46	2,894.24
March 1-31	2,923.42	3,542.70
April 1-30	4.846.11	4,036.67

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES, APRIL 1-30, 1925

Adin	$ 7.23
Alturas	40.00
Berkeley, 1st	468.95
Berkeley, Park	21.25
Berkeley, No.	118.36
Ceres	117.10
Cloverdale	40.00
Etna Mills	14.00
Eureka	95.38
Fresno, 1st	53.69
Grass Valley	23.31
Lockeford	15.00
Martinez	114.81
Oakland, 1st	488.58
Oakland, Cal.	30.15
Oakland, Fruit	29.00
Oakland, Grace	46.84
Oakland, Plym.	162.99
Pac. Grove	36.50
Palo Alto	400.00
Petaluma	114.60
Pittsburg	58.40
Porterville	30.00
Reno	100.00
San Francisco, 1st	500.00
San Francisco, O. View	25.00
San Jose	100.00
San Lorenzo	16.50
San Mateo	159.55
San Rafael	44.17
Santa Cruz	200.00
Santa Rosa, 1st	29.71
Santa Rosa, Todd	2.00
Sebastopol	7.65
Sonoma	66.68
Soquel	50.00
Sunnyvale	52.50
Tipton	8.25
Tulare	36.60
Woodside	40.50
Big Creek	61.42
Miscellaneous	10.00
	$4,036.67

Distribution

Conference	$ 312.04
Annuity Fund	35.49
C. M. R. S.	98.08
S. S. E. S.	90.94
Pac. School	106.47
C. E. S.	204.72
C. C. B. S.	212.97
A. M. A.	467.01
W. B. M. P.	461.43
A. B. C. F. M.	714.09
C. H. M. S.	1,294.43
C. W. M. S.	39.00
	$4,036.67

The Pacific

Established 1851

Entered as Second-Class Matter at the San Francisco Post Office
Subscription, 25 cents in Advance
Published monthly by the Northern California Congregational Conference, 421 Phelan Building, San Francisco.
Acceptance for mailing at special rate of postage provided in section 1103, Act of October 3, 1917, authorized September 11, 1923.
Address all communications and checks to THE PACIFIC, 421 Phelan Bldg.

EDITORIAL STAFF

William J. Minchin, Editor.
Mrs. H. M. Preston, Associate Editor.

Association Correspondents

Bay Association, Rev. Godfrey Matthews.
Central Association, Rev. C. H. Stevens.
Sacramento Valley Association, Rev. H. H. Gill.
San Joaquin Association, Rev. S. C. Carson.
Santa Clara Association, Rev. F. W. Morrison.
Sonoma Association, Mrs. C. I. Hooper.
Upper Bay Association, Rev. Jas. Muir.

CHURCH NEWS

Oroville—The church was hosts to the Knights Templar of that city on Easter Sunday. In the evening a splendid program of Easter music was presented.

Sacramento—On Sunday, April 19, the Church received 22 into membership. This makes a total of 31 since January 1st. Of this number 14 were on Confession of Faith. A splendid choir of 25 voices is furnishing music. The director is Mr. Franz Dicks, who was for many years Concert Master of the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra and is now Director of the Sacramento Municipal Symphony Orchestra and the Municipal Chorus.

During the winter the Sunday School basket ball team won second place in a league comprising eight of the leading churches of the city. The church is now in the midst of a campaign to increase their building resources.

Redwood City—Passion Week was observed by services every evening conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. J. Currie. The attendance grew in numbers, and the meetings in interest each evening and on Easter Sunday morning the building was overcrowded. The service was rendered impressive by the earnest and hopeful message from the Pastor and by the presentation of several numbers by the vested quartette choir. At the close of the sermon, the Lord's Supper was observed, at which time fifty-seven were received into the church and twenty infants were baptized.

Ceres—The Church has recently issued a Year Book and Church directory which contains a brief historical resume, the names of the official board and other officers, the list of members, and a history of each of the societies within the church. Most satisfactory Easter services are reported from Ceres Church, with an attendance of 526 Easter Sunday.

San Mateo—Rev. C. L. Kloss reports that 37 new members are being taken into the church, 23 of them being men.

Children's Boarding Home, 324 King St., Santa Cruz, Calif. Large sunny house near Bay View School. Children given care and training as in good private home and taken to hills, and beach for recreation. Number limited to six.

Matron, twelve years experience as teacher in public schools. Twelve as matron of children's home in Alaska.

Write for information. Phone 1849-J.

Palo Alto—On May 3, 23 new members were received at communion, 13 on confession of faith.

Rev. E. C. Oakley will supply the pulpit on Mother's Day during the absence of the pastor. Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Thorp are in San Diego to officiate at a marriage ceremony, and while there Mr. Thorp will preach in his old pulpit.

Fresno, Pilgrim (Armenian)—Holy Week was observed with daily services except on Saturday. The first four nights they were evangelistic in tone, while the last two nights they were purely devotional. On Thursday evening the Lord's Supper was administered, and 14 members were added to the church, that is, 8 by confession of faith and 6 by letter.

On Easter Sunday we had a crowded house at each service, numbering a total of 1500, apart from the attendance at the session of the Church School.

On April 26th and May 3rd a program of Parish Visitation was conducted. On the former day, teams composed of country folks visited the homes in the city. On the latter day, the process was just reversed, with city folks visiting the farms. Nearly 200 families were covered. Upon each evening the teams returned to report at the public service of the church. With no exception they were like the Seventy who returned to Jesus 'with joy" from a similar mission. The purpose of the canvass was confessedly fraternal and spiritual, and, it seems, it was accomplished.

Exodus from Fresno still continues, heading now toward the Bay district. Our Armenian pastors in Los Angeles and San Francisco are ministering to Fresnan crowds.

San Jose—Fifty years of notable church life have just been rounded out in a celebration extending over three weeks and it will long be remembered by those who participated in the events. The Church was organized in 1875 with Rev. Theodore T. Munger, afterwards nationally known as a preacher and theologian, as its first pastor.

On Sunday morning, April 26th, Rev. Fred W. Morrison, present pastor of the church, preached an historical sermon. The great social affair of the celebration was the Birthday Dinner in the Parish House on Friday evening, May 1, when every available inch of space was used to accommodate the more than two hundred guests who sat down to beautifully decorated tables, to a dinner worthy the special occasion.

The celebration reached its climax and conclusion in the services of Sunday, May 3, the exact anniversary of the organization of the church. At the morning service the sermon was preached by Rev. Mahlon Willett, second pastor of the church, who came in 1876. The vesper address was given by Rev. Chas. Wm. Hill, pastor of the church from 1885 to 1891. Several children were baptized and fifteen new members were received into the church.

A notable event in India was the organization of the United Church of India formed by the coming together of the Presbyterian Church in India and the Congregational churches of the Marathi Mission of the American Board, on September 30, 1924. When the uniting act was unanimously adopted the two moderators exchanged greetings and the whole company joined in singing: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow." Dr. Robert Hume, our veteran missionary, was then chosen as the first moderator of the United Church.

NOTES FROM THE ISLANDS

Rev. T. C. Williams of Kohali, Hawaii, is enjoying a six months vacation on the mainland after six years' service with the Union Church of Kohala. During his absence the pulpit is supplied by ministers of other churches and secretaries of the Hawaiian Board. Rev. Geo. H. DeKay preached Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter.

Rev. and Mrs. John Jefferies, veterans of our Congregational work are still doing good service in connection with the work at Kohala. Nearly eighty years of age, Bro. Jefferies is still erect and vigorous physically and mentally. He is librarian of a branch county library. Mrs. Jefferies renders valuable service in connection with the Chinese church and Sunday school.

Rev. Augustine Jones has resigned after four years' pastorate of the Makawao church on Maui. He will return to California in August. He is a preacher of rare ability.

Four years ago Rev. Howard N. Smith, formerly S. S. missionary for Oregon accepted an appointment as missionary pastor at Honokaa on the island of Hawaii, under the Hawaiian Board. There was no church, no Sunday School, only a very few white families in the district and most of these not interested in religious work. The field is isolated and the outlook seemed poor indeed for any growth. But Mr. Smith organized a Boy Scout troop of which he has been scoutmaster, opened a branch county library, and made his home the center of interest for the boys of the village. To the boys of the entire village he has been scout master, friend and advisor. Easter brought harvest and joy to his heart and that of his wife. The little home chapel was beautifully decorated with flowers, and a good congregation gathered to witness the ingathering of a harvest of souls. Seventeen united with the church which heretofore had consisted of four resident and one non-resident members. Of the seventeen one was a mother who came with her boys, thirteen were boys from fourteen to eighteen years old, and three were girls. Ten were baptized. Another boy came the following Sunday asking to be baptized and admitted to the church. Of the total five were Hawaiian-whites, eleven of Japanese, and two of Korean parentage, one of the latter a son of a former Korean minister.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith will spend four months on the mainland, arriving in San Francisco about May 15th, and will return for further service at Honokaa.

Rev. Geo. H. DeKay will finish three years as Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Hawaii with the end of May. Last fall the League purchased the motion picture film "Lest We Forget," and Mr. DeKay has spent many evenings since in showing it all over the Territory. Often a "show" means driving from forty to ninety miles, and many times it means a drive of from fifteen to fifty miles late at night after the showing is over. But the picture carries a strong message and hundreds have gotten it who could not have been reached in any other way. The third annual prohibition oratorical contest instituted by Mr. DeKay drew over a thousand people to listen to the orations of eight students from high schools of the Territory. A Hawaiian-born Japanese boy from Mid-Pacific school won first prize of one hundred dollars, a Chinese boy from a Junior High school won second prize of fifty dollars, and a white girl third prize. One of the lecturers of the World League Against Alcoholism, who knows conditions widely, says of this work that, "there is not another Anti-Saloon League man structive temperance educational work in the Americas who is doing the con that "Dad" DeKay is doing down there in Hawaii."

"OUR LAMP OF LIFE" FOR CHILDREN'S DAY, JUNE 14

Material released by the Congregational Education Society for Children's Day Service is exceptionally fine this year. It is unusual in character and easily adaptable to any group of children. It is planned to include the members of all departments of the school and it is assumed that the entire school will join in the presentation. The service begins with the processional "Father of Lights, in whom there is no shadow." The Recessional is "Light of the World, we hail thee."

This material will be provided without charge for schools making a special offering to the Congregational Sunday School Extension Society, or otherwise including the Society in their plan of benevolence. The following services issued during previous years can also be supplied: "The Church and the Children" and "Let the Children Come." Sample copies are obtainable at the Conference Office, 421 Phelan Bldg., San Francisco. The services are supplied to other schools at ten cents a copy, six dollars per hundred, by The Pilgrim Press, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, or 19 South La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The Kobe College Endowment Campaign Committee met recently at the College to formulate plans for raising $300,000 endowment from Japan. The attitude of the Japanese toward this college is strikingly manifest in the fact that out of the fourteen business men asked to serve on the committee there were no refusals. All accepted. This is especially notable in view of the fact that Japan will not have made a financial recovery from the earthquake losses for several years. That the Japanese are trying to provide endowment for our missionary colleges while they are rebuilding their earthquake ruined churches is an added reason for our expression of sympathy by a quick response of the churches to the request of the National Council through letters sent out recently from the offices of the American Board.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION TOURS

"One seeing is worth a hundred tellings"

CRUISE TO ALASKA

Leaving Los Angeles July 31, San Francisco August 1 and Seattle August 5.

Inclusive cost $165 and up, according to length of trip and point of departure.

Annual tours to Alaska, the Orient, South America, Australia, the South Sea Islands, Egypt and Palestine. Reservations and tickets secured for independent travel.

For prices, itineraries and further information address

John Cobb Worley, Travel Secretary
Missionary Education Movement
517 Western Mutual Life Bldg., Los Angeles, or
150 Fifth Ave., New York